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ISSUE NEW REGULATIONS ON GAME
AND FUR ANIMALS IN ALASKA

Brown bears, beavers, martens, mountain sheep, and mountain goats in Alaska will have increased Federal protection after July 1, when new 1934-35 regulations relating to game, land fur animals, and birds in the Territory become effective, says the Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Amended regulations were signed and made public by Secretary Wallace today.

The new regulations provide two sanctuaries for brown bears on Admiralty Island and reduce the bag limit on this island from 2 to 1 for each open season. These provisions, the Bureau points out, are in keeping with the recently announced Admiralty Island Bear Management Plan.

Heavy trapping in recent years, says the Bureau, has made it necessary to close the seasons on beavers and martens throughout the Territory to insure the maintenance of ample breeding stocks in some sections. Two new refuge areas for beavers have also been set up along the Alaska Railroad, near Grandview and at Honolulu, and these animals are similarly protected on Baranof and Chichagof Islands and in the Mendenhall Valley near Juneau.

Mountain sheep and mountain goats under the new regulations enjoy full protection in an area in the Girdwood-Anchorage-Matanuska drainage. This protected area, which has been established to assure maintenance of adequate breeding herds of these animals, includes parts of the drainages to Crow, Bird, and California Creeks, near Girdwood; the North Fork Ship Creek, near Anchorage; and Eagle River, near Matanuska.

The Department of Agriculture is publishing the full text of the amended regulations as A.G.C. Circular 12, entitled "Regulations Relating to Game, Land Fur Animals, and Birds in Alaska." Copies may be obtained from the Alaska Game Commission, Juneau, Alaska.